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MERCHANTS MEETING

ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS IMPORTANT COMMERCIAL ORGANIZATION IS IN PROGRESS THIS AFTERNOON—A SUCCINCT REPORT MADE OF MANY IMPORTANT THINGS ACCOMPLISHED OR ATTEMPTED.

The annual meeting of the Merchants' Association is being held this afternoon in the rooms of the Association, Young Building. The following is the annual report of the directors to the Association:

Honolulu, January 25th, 1905.

To the Members of the Merchants' Association:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with Article V of your By-Laws, regular quarterly meetings have been held in the past year and your Directors have held their regular monthly meetings.

The year just passed has been a trying one for the Merchant, owing to the great depression in business, and it speaks well for your Association that, in spite of the dull times, continued interest has been manifested in the work of this organization, which has now become a factor in the commercial life of the community.

Acting, at times under your instructions, and again on their own initiative, your Directors have carried out much work during the year just ended all of which is here indicated.

1. The engagement of these rooms as a permanent headquarters for the Association.
2. The securing of the services of an assistant secretary to attend to the clerical and other duties of the Association.
3. The engagement, (in connection with the Chamber of Commerce), of a representative in Washington, one who is also Secretary to the Territorial Delegate, thereby keeping us in touch with Federal legislation.
4. Calling the attention of the U. S. Government to the fact that coal

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Judge De Bolt Loudly Cheered

REMARKABLE SCENE WHEN HE IMPOSED A FINE OF ONLY ONE DOLLAR ON MASTER-AT-ARMS GENEAU—THE DEFENDANT AND HIS ATTORNEYS OVERWHELMED WITH CONGRATULATIONS—END OF AN EXCITING MURDER CASE.

"Edward Geneau, have you anything to say as to why sentence should not be passed upon you?"

Judge De Bolt addressed the solemn words this morning to the young sailor or whom the jury on Monday found guilty of manslaughter in the third degree for the killing of the negro "Useless" Harris. The judge had just finished a complete summary of the case and had drawn the attention of all present to the fact that had Geneau refrained from the use of intoxicating liquor he would never have been placed in the position he then occupied.

"I have nothing to say, your honor," replied Geneau in a slightly husky voice "except that I am very sorry that it happened. It has been a warning to me, and I will never touch liquor again."

"Then the sentence of the Court is that a fine of one dollar be imposed on you," said the judge.

For an instant there was a dead silence and then came a wild roar of cheering from the densely packed body of the court. Geneau burst into tears and was hardly able to speak for emotion as the crowd surged about him to shake him by the hand and congratulate him. His attorneys E. A. Douthitt and E. M. Watson, whose clever work

and close attention to the bringing out of all the facts undoubtedly saved the defendant, were also overwhelmed with congratulations. Blue jackets and officers from the naval station, men about town who have become interested in the case and nearly everyone of the jurors who weighed the evidence so carefully, were among those who had a word to say to the young sailor and persons from all over the building rushed towards Judge De Bolt's court room on hearing the remarkable upsurge. For ten minutes it was impossible to obtain order and Duiliff Hopkins rapped his gavel in vain. Juror Bissell made his way to the clerk's desk and promptly paid the fine only forestalling a half dozen others bent on the same errand and Geneau walked out a free man once more.

The scene was one of the most remarkable in the history of Court trials in Hawaii. When the case was called, Attorney Douthitt addressed the court on behalf of the defendant. He called the court's attention to the verdict that it could possibly bring on a charge of murder in the first degree, that of manslaughter in the third degree, and

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Suggestions Wanted For The County Act

MEETING HAS BEEN CALLED FOR NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT BY CHAIRMAN COOPER WHEN ALL HAVING IDEAS ON THE SUBJECT WILL BE HEARD—INDICATIONS FAVORABLE FOR A UNANIMOUS BILL BEING PRESENTED, IT IS SAID.

Chairman H. E. Cooper of the County Commission has called a special meeting of that body for next Tuesday evening January 25, at 7:30 o'clock in the Throne room for the purpose of further considering the measure to be presented to the legislature.

The meeting will be an open one and all those who are interested in having a county law framed are invited to be present and make suggestions to the members of the commission.

After this meeting the commission will then go to work to prepare the final draft of the bill that is to be reported to the legislature. The two acts which have been issued in pamphlet form under authority from the county commission, do not represent a majority and a minority report of the commission but have simply been prepared out of material considered by the commission. After the meeting next Tuesday evening, the members of the commission will consider the material contained in that pamphlet together with any other suggestions that may have been made, and prepare the final draft of the bill that is to be reported to the legislature. A member of the commission expressed the opinion today that the indications were favorable for a unanimous bill being reported by the commission.

SUGAR DROPS A LITTLE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—The New York price of 96 degree centrifugals this day is 5.24 cents a pound or \$104.80 a ton. The last previous quotation was 5.25 cents a pound.

GENEAU HAS GONE TO SEA

REPORTED FOR DUTY ON THE IROQUOIS AND WAS ORDERED TO GO TO WORK AT ONCE.

Master-at-Arms Geneau, who has spent the last seven months in a gloomy cell in murderers' row at Oahu prison, is going to sea. As soon as he could get away from the friends who were overwhelming him with congratulations on Judge De Bolt's sentence of a \$1 fine, Geneau proceeded to the Naval Station where he reported for duty to Captain Niblack. Geneau has been kept on the books of the Iroquois ever since he was arrested and his old ship, the gunboat Wheeling, left the port.

Captain Niblack ordered him to resume his duty at once and the blue jacket only too gladly tumbled his dunnage aboard. The Iroquois left for a few days cruise and it is safe to say that the most contented man aboard will be Master-at-Arms Geneau.

KIHEI RECOVERS

Kihei recovered a little at this afternoon's session of the Stock Exchange, there being sales of 90 shares at \$16. For McBryde \$10 was bid and \$11.50.

CHARGES AGAINST REX HITCHCOCK

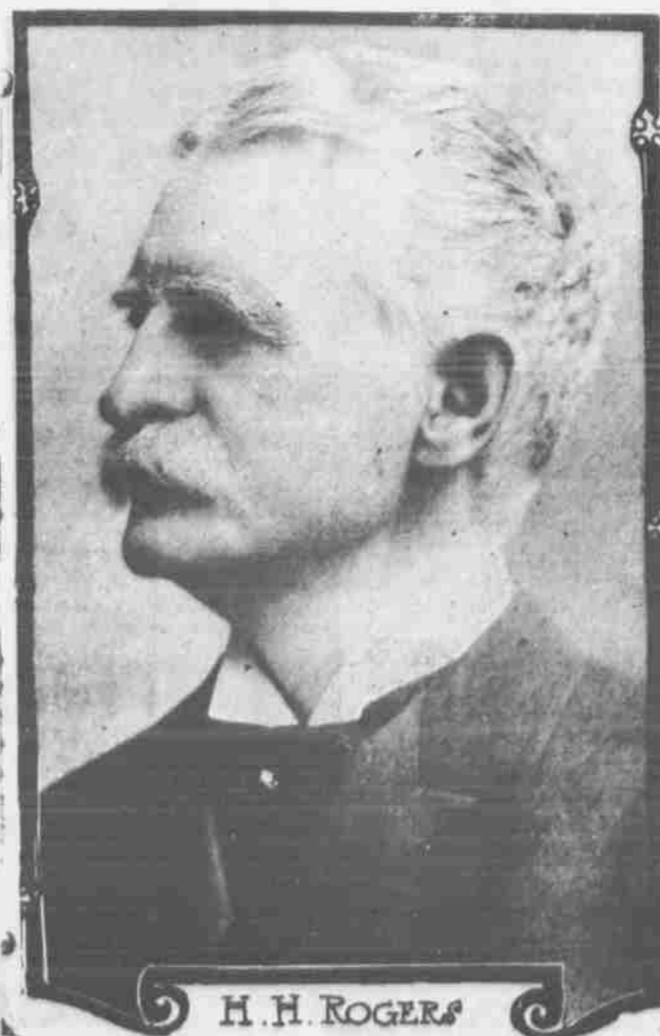
DEPUTY SHERIFF OF MOLOKAI ARRIVED THIS MORNING TO INQUIRE INTO MATTERS.

Deputy Sheriff Rex Hitchcock of Molokai arrived this morning from Pukoo by the steamer Likelike. He came down to see the charges that have been preferred against him by various people on Molokai. Several petitions asking for the removal of Hitchcock from his position on the grounds of his failure to enforce the liquor laws on Molokai have been received by the governor and Hitchcock came to Honolulu today to learn the various specifications and to have an investigation into the charges. Hitchcock will probably be called upon by the governor to answer the charges. Lieutenant of Police Sam Leslie will go to Molokai tonight to take charge of police work on that island while Hitchcock is in Honolulu.

asked. The following are the sales: Between Boards: 20 Waiatus \$35.00. Session Sales: 50 Kihei \$16.00; 40 Kihei \$16; 25 Ewa, \$32.875.

The editor of the Sing Sing Star of Hope, supposed to be Julian D. Hayne, has been released.

THE MAN TOM LAWSON KNOCKS



H. H. ROGERS

Photo by ALICE DUPONT

It is against Henry H. Rogers that Lawson has aimed his most scathing criticisms. It is said that these exposures have come as almost as great a surprise to John D. Rockefeller, head of the Standard Oil, that a break with Rogers may occur.

Cossacks Fire On Strikers

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.—The Cossack troops fired on a crowd of 3,000 striking labor demonstrators today. Many people in the crowd were wounded. The strike is spreading to all occupations of labor.

All printing works are closed. The strikers have been given the choice of resuming work within 24 hours or else be deported by the government authorities.

A message from the Emperor to the striking workmen is expected tomorrow.

Gorky, the author, has been arrested by the military authorities. The greatest excitement prevails and it is now feared that there will be attempts at violence on the part of the strikers and their sympathizers.

MORE BLOODSHED IN PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, P. I., Jan. 25.—A band of Ladronees have attacked the town of San Francisco in the province of Demalabon, killing Surgeon J. A. O'Neill and one private soldier. The wife and three children of former Governor Trias were abducted. The treasury was looted of \$2000. The band is sure rounded.

COLD WEATHER ON MAINLAND.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 25.—A severe storm accompanied by a cold wave has swept over many states.

STOCKS FELL OFF TODAY

BUYERS GOT SCARED AND KIHEI TOOK A BIG TUMBLE—DROPPED FROM \$20 YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO \$14 TODAY—McBRYDE ALSO SLUFFED OFF THIS MORNING—BIG DEALS IN EWA REPORTED TO BE IN PROGRESS.

For the first time since the present bull movement in sugar stocks began have there been any signs of weakness in the stock market. There was a decided sluffing off in at least two stocks this morning and where buyers had been much in evidence the last week or so, they suddenly developed an attack of conservatism and there was not nearly so much dealing as had been anticipated. McBryde and Kihei stocks were the ones to experience the cut and both dropped considerably. The slump in Kihei was the heavier and started at yesterday afternoon's session of the stock exchange, when from \$20 with a rising supposed tendency, the stock began to drop off and only \$18 was bid for it, \$19 being asked. This morning the stock fell still lower, and finally dropped to \$14, a drop of \$6 a share within 24 hours.

The exact reason for this slump was not apparent on the surface although those in a position to know have held that the price of \$20 was not merited. The annual meeting of Kihei is to be held on Saturday and it is expected that a statement regarding the condition and prospects of Kihei will then be made. It is not probable that any dividend will be declared for Kihei this season. Some of the stock brokers were disposed to ascribe the slump to Kihei to sympathy and a subsidence of the first spurt, but there are

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TWO IMPORTANT EVENTS.

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